NOTICES OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE LIVESTOCK & CROP CONSERVATION GRANT PROGRAM

[M12-235]

1. Title and its heading:

41, State Government

Chapter and its heading: Article and its heading:

3, Administrative Boards and Commissions

1.1, Arizona State Parks Board

2. The public information relating to the listed statute:

The Arizona Department of Agriculture is responsible for developing, implementing and managing the Livestock & Crop Conservation Grant Program (LCCGP). This grant program was created by the State Legislature through A.R.S. § 41-511.23(G)(1). Per the grant program authorizing statute, eligible applicants include individual landowners and grazing and agricultural lessees of state or federal lands that desire to implement conservation based management alternatives using livestock or crop production practices, or reduce livestock or crop production, to provide wildlife habitat or other public benefits that preserve open space.

The Department must provide public notice and 60 days for public comment on the grant guidelines and criteria, including public hearings. The LCCGP grant guidelines and criteria are posted on the Arizona Department of Agriculture website, www.azda.gov, under 'Grant Opportunities.' You may also direct questions or request a copy of the grant program guidelines and criteria by contacting the LCCGP staff listed below. At the conclusion of the public comment period, the grant program manual and application will be finalized, published and a grant application deadline will be announced.

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4. The time during which the agency will accept written comments and the time and place where oral comments may be made:

Written comments may be submitted to the grant program staff listed above between July 20, 2012 and September 20, 2012

A public hearing to solicit public comment on the FY 2013 grant program guidelines and criteria will be held as follows:

August 29, 2012 1:00 p.m.

Arizona Department of Agriculture 1688 W. Adams St., Room 206 Phoenix, AZ 85007

Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation such as a sign language interpreter by contacting agency ADA Coordinator, Anna Villa (602) 542-4315 (voice) or 1-800-367-3839 (TDD Relay). Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

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ARIZONA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT

DIRECTOR'S ORDER 1 – R07/12 – AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES LISTING OF AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES FOR ARIZONA EFFECTIVE - JULY 1, 2012

[M12-232]

Effective July 1, 2012, the Arizona Game and Fish Department, under the authority of A.R.S. § 17-255.01(B), establishes this updated list of aquatic invasive species for the State of Arizona:

Aquatic Invasive Species	<u>Notes</u>
quagga mussel (Dreissena bugensis)	Detected and present in Arizona - January 2007; Lake Mead.
zebra mussel (Dreissena polymorpha)	Not yet detected in Arizona, but poses an imminent threat. Zebra mussels are nearly indistinguishable in appearance from the quagga mussel.
rusty crayfish (Orconectus rusticus)	Not yet detected in Arizona, but constitutes an imminent threat. No positive identification noted among current Arizona crayfish populations.
red claw crayfish (Cherax quadricarinatus)	Not yet detected in Arizona, but constitutes an imminent threat. No positive identification noted among current Arizona crayfish populations.
New Zealand mudsnail (Potamopyrgus antipodarum)	Detected in Arizona – confirmed in 2002; lower Colorado River (Lee's Ferry, Lake Mead)
didymo, a.k.a. rock snot (Didymosphenia geminata)	Detected in Arizona (blooms) – confirmed in July 2009; below Davis Dam, Lake Havasu on the lower Colorado River.
giant salvinia (Salvinia molesta)	Detected in Arizona – confirmed in August 1999; on the Arizona/ California border at Imperial National Wildlife Refuge near Blythe, CA.
Asian carp silver (Hypophthalmichtys molotrix) bighead (Aristichthys nobilis) black (Mylopharyngodon piceus)	Not yet detected in Arizona, but constitutes an imminent threat from illegal stocking. Another species of Asian carp, triploid grass carp/white amur (<i>Ctenopharyngodon idella</i>), is present and regulated through permits in Arizona.
apple snail (Genus: Pomocea)	Detected in Arizona – confirmed in August 2011; lower Verde River to confluence with the lower Salt River down to Granite Reef Dam Area, Maricopa County. Also detected in the lower Colorado River at Yuma.
northern snakehead (Channa argus)	Not yet detected in Arizona, but constitutes an imminent threat from illegal stocking.

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ARIZONA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT

DIRECTOR'S ORDER 2 – R07/12 – AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES DESIGNATION OF WATERS OR LOCATIONS WHERE LISTED AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES ARE PRESENT EFFECTIVE - JULY 1, 2012

[M12-233]

Effective July 1, 2012, the Arizona Game and Fish Department, under the authority of A.R.S. § 17-255.01(B), establishes this list of waters or locations where listed aquatic invasive species are suspected or known to be present. The listing of aquatic invasive species in Arizona is established under the Arizona Game and Fish Department – Director's Order 1 – R07/12, 18 A.A.R. 1756, July 20, 2012 (in this issue).

Waters in Arizona where <u>quagga mussel</u> (Dreissena bugensis) are documented and present:

- Lake Pleasant
- **Lower Colorado River** from Pierce Ferry Rapid (RM277 on Lake Mead) through the southerly international boundary with Mexico including:

Lake Mead
Lake Mohave
Lake Havasu
Imperial Reservoir
Mittry Lake
Martinez Lake
Topock Marsh

Water delivery systems in Arizona where quagga mussel (Dreissena bugensis) are documented and present:

- Central Arizona Project (CAP) aqueduct (from Lake Havasu - Mark Wilmer Pumping plant to CAP canal mile 200 in Apache Junction, AZ) and all endpoint waters (e.g. Red Mountain Park Lake, Mesa)

Water delivery systems in Arizona where quagga mussel (Dreissena bugensis) are suspected:

- Salt River Project Canal System (commencing at the CAP Interconnect below Granite Reef Dam)
- Central Arizona Project (CAP) Aqueduct (from CAP canal mile 200 in Apache Junction to terminus at canal mile 337 south of Tucson, AZ)

U.S. States or Provinces of the Dominion of Canada where <u>quagga mussel</u> (*Dreissena* **bugensis) or <u>zebra mussel</u> (***Dreissena polymorpha***) are documented and present:**

- Alabama, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Mississippi, Nebraska, Nevada, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Vermont, Wisconsin, West Virginia; and the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec

Waters in Arizona where New Zealand mudsnail (Potamopyrgus antipodarum) has been documented:

- Lower Colorado River below the Glen Canyon Dam to Lee's Ferry and at Lake Mohave - Willow Beach area.

Waters in Arizona where didymo, a.k.a. rock snot (Didymosphenia geminata) has been documented (bloom):

- Lower Colorado River, immediately downstream of Davis Dam (Lake Havasu).

Waters in Arizona where giant salvinia (Salvinia molesta) has been documented:

Lower Colorado River - Blythe, California (I-10 Bridge over Colorado River) through the southerly international boundary with Mexico (Morales Dam)

Waters in Arizona where apple snail (Pomocea) has been documented:

- Lower Colorado River near Yuma, Yuma County; lower Verde River to the confluence with the lower Salt River (Granite Reef Dam Area), Maricopa County

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ARIZONA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT

DIRECTOR'S ORDER 3 – R07/12 – AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES
MANDATORY CONDITIONS ON THE MOVEMENT OF WATERCRAFT, VEHICLES, CONVEYANCES, OR
OTHER EQUIPMENT FROM LISTED WATERS WHERE AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES ARE PRESENT
EFFECTIVE – JULY 1, 2012

[M12-234]

Effective July 1, 2012, the Arizona Game and Fish Department, under the authority of A.R.S. § 17-255.01(B), establishes mandatory conditions for movement of watercraft, vehicles, conveyances, or other equipment necessary to abate, eradicate, or prevent the spread of listed aquatic invasive species (AIS) within or from those waters or locations listed in Arizona Game and Fish Department - Director's Order 2 – R07/12 (Listed Waters), 18 A.A.R. 1757, July 20, 2012 (in this issue).

Mandatory Conditions and Protocols for Movement from AIS Listed Waters/Locations		
Day Use Boater	The following protocols shall be taken for watercraft, vehicles, conveyances, or other equipment (e.g., fishing gear, anchor, etc.) that have been in or on an AIS listed water/location for 5 days or less: Before leaving the vicinity of any listed water in Arizona: Remove any clinging material such as plants, algae, animals, and mud from anchor, boat, motor, trailer, and all other equipment. Remove the plug (when so equipped) and drain the water from the bilge, live-well and any other compartments that may hold water. Drain water from engine, engine compartments, and engine cooling systems. Dry - Allow watercraft, vehicles, conveyances, or other equipment to dry completely. If using watercraft again in less than five days at any other Arizona waters, replace bilge drain plug and disinfect the bilge by pouring not less than one gallon of vinegar into the bilge.	
Long Term Use Boater	The following protocols shall be taken for any watercraft, vehicles, conveyances, or other equipment that have been in or on an AIS listed water/location for more than 5 days: Before leaving the vicinity of the listed water/location (unless otherwise authorized by the State): Remove any clinging material such as plants, algae, animals and mud from anchor, boat, motor, trailer, and all other equipment. Remove the plug (when so equipped) and drain the water from the bilge, live-well, and any other compartments that may hold water. Drain water from engine, engine compartments, and engine cooling systems. Remove all attached invasive species (e.g., adult quagga mussels; New Zealand mudsnails) from boat surfaces, motors, impellers, outdrives, rudders, anchor(s) and through hull fittings. Dry completely - Keep the watercraft, vehicles, conveyances, or other equipment out of water and completely dry, including bilge, through hull fittings and engine for a minimum of eighteen (18) consecutive days during the months of November through April and seven (7) consecutive days during the months of May through October. Where watercraft decontamination facilities exist, flush the engine, cooling systems, and any other through hull fittings for ten to thirty seconds with hot water exiting those areas at 140°F to kill any hidden invasive species (e.g. adult quagga mussels). OWNER, OPERATOR, AND/OR TRANSPORTER OF LONG TERM USE BOATS SHALL complete and sign an Aquatic Invasive Species Boat Inspection Report - AISBIR (AGFD Form 2137). The AISBIR form is located on the Department's website (azgfd.gov/mussels) and a completed form shall be sent by facsimile (FAX 623-236-7271) or scanned and e-mailed to AIScomments@azgfd.gov of the Arizona Game and Fish Department's Aquatic Invasive Species Program before transport of watercraft to any other Arizona waters or out of state.	
Mandatory Conditions and Protocols for Movement from the <u>lower Colorado River</u> , below the Glen Canyon Dam to Lee's Ferry and at Lake Mohave - Willow Beach area.		

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The following protocols shall be taken for the prevention/control of:

New Zealand mudsnail (Potamopyrgus antipodarum)

- Dry completely all equipment which has been in contact with the listed water.
- Before using in any other waters in Arizona, treat all fishing equipment (including, but not limited to, felt-soled waders, boots, nets, tackle) with a minimum 10-minute exposure to a 5% solution of quaternary ammonia (e.g. Quat128[®], Formula 409[®], Sparquat[®]).

Mandatory Conditions and Protocols for Movement from the <u>lower Colorado River</u>, immediately downstream of Davis Dam (Lake Havasu)

The following protocols shall be taken for the prevention/control of:

didymo, a.k.a. rock snot (Didymosphenia geminata):

- Dry completely all equipment which has been in contact with the listed water.
- Before using in any other waters in Arizona, treat all fishing equipment (including, but not limited to, felt-soled waders, boots, nets, tackle) with bleach or 5% solution of quaternary ammonia (e.g. Quat128[®], Formula 409[®], Sparquat[®]).

Mandatory Conditions and Protocols for Movement from the <u>lower Colorado River</u>, Yuma County and the <u>lower Verde River</u> to the confluence with the <u>lower Salt River</u> – Granite Reef Area, Maricopa County

The following protocols shall be taken for the prevention/control of:

apple snail (Genus: Pomocea):

- Dry completely all equipment which has been in contact with the listed water.
- Remove and properly discard any adult snails or egg masses; do not re-innoculate water.

A.R.S. § 17-255.01(C)(1); Watercraft, vehicles, conveyances, or other equipment are subject to inspection upon entry into this state, during overland transport within this state, or upon departure from any water or location listed in Arizona Game and Fish Department- Director's Order 2 – Effective July 1, 2012, 18 A.A.R. 1757, July 20, 2012 (in this issue).

A.R.S. § 17-255.01(C)(3); A person departing from any water or location listed in Director's Order 2 – Effective July 1, 2012 may be required to decontaminate watercraft, vehicles, conveyances, or other equipment in the manner required by Order.

A.R.S. § 17-255.02(1); A person shall not possess, import, ship, or transport into or within the State of Arizona Aquatic Invasive Species listed under Arizona Game and Fish Department – Director's Order 1 – Effective Date July 1, 2012, 18 A.A.R. 1756, July 20, 2012 (in this issue).

A.R.S. § 17-255.02(2); A person shall not release, place or plant an aquatic invasive species identified in Arizona Game and Fish Department – Director's Order 1 – Effective July 1, 2012 into waters of this state or into any water treatment facility, water supply or water transportation facility, device or mechanism.

A.R.S. § 17-255.02(3); A person shall not place in any waters of this state any equipment, watercraft, vessel, vehicle or conveyance that has been in any water or location listed in Arizona Game and Fish Department- Director's Order 2 – Effective July 1, 2012 without being first decontaminated in the manner required by this Order.

A.R.S. § 17-255.02(4); A person shall not sell, purchase, barter or exchange an aquatic invasive species identified in Arizona Game and Fish Department – Director's Order 1 – Effective July 1, 2012.

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